

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
May 21, 2004**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy was held on March 19, 2004 in Room 102, of the Professional Licensing Boards, Secretary of State, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon Georgia with the following members present:

Members Present:

Kendyl R. Brock, OTR/L, CHT, President
Mary Louise Austin, Consumer
Donna J. Domyslawski, OTR/L
Karen L. Cadaret, COTA/L

Absent:

Kathleen H. Conyers, OTR/L, Vice President

Others Present:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director
Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General
Serena Butts, Secretary II

Yvonne LeSane, Acting Board Secretary
Janet Starr, Continuing Education Consultant
Sally Hatcher, Legal Services

Ms. Brock established a quorum of the Board and called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Agenda: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Agenda was approved as amended.

Minutes: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve Minutes from the March 19, 2004 meeting as amended.

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve the committee minutes April 2, 2004.

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(4) and O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1) to deliberate on Investigations, Applications, Cognizant Report and Attorney General's Report and to receive information on Investigations, Applications, Cognizant Report and Attorney General's Report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board Members Brock, Domyslawski, Cadaret and Austin. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Correspondence:

The Board considered the following correspondence and matters of interest:

Cathy Cox, Secretary of State Ms. Cox wishes to advise the Board of funding for one (1) Board member to attend a National Conference.

Board Response: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to send Ms. Cox a thank you letter for her consideration of the Occupational Therapy Board and its profession.

EducationDirect.com Home study program for Occupational Therapy Aide.

Board Response: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski and the Board voted that because OT Aides are not licensed and do not practice OT, the program is inappropriate and to notify the company of potential problems, especially with any clinical training and copy this information to the American Occupational Therapy Association and the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy. Also advise EducationDirect.com students cannot participate in clinical training.

Cognizant Report:

OT01200001: Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to offer a consent order.

Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Hightower provided the Board with information on the following:

- Massage Therapy legislation
- Legislation completed
- New Applications Specialist II
- Disclosure Statements

Renewals:

K H: Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to renew with a letter of concern.

G W: Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to renew with a letter of concern.

OT040006: Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to request a GCIC and renew if no unreported findings, otherwise return to the Board for further review.

Ms Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to Lapse all licenses not renewed to date.

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to accept the Continuing Education Consultant's Continuing Education Audit Report.

Student Loan Default:

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to suspend **Angela Brown's** license to practice as an Occupational Therapy Assistant, **License Number OTA000295**, for failure to repay a student loan, and further move that this suspension shall cease upon receipt by the Division Director of a "Notice of Compliance And Request For Release" from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation.

Attorney General's Report:

Ms. Monroe gave a brief synopsis of Initial Decisions and presented the following:

Cassandra Thorne Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to accept the Initial Decision.

Ms. Monroe presented an update on the following cases:

OT040005, OT01200001 and OT01100007

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's Report.

Enforcement Matters:

14-01-0200004/OT020016: Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and Board voted to close.

OT01200002: Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and Board voted to refer to the Attorney General.

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to accept the Enforcement Report.

Probation Matters:

Gillian K. Sinclair: Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and Board voted to offer Ms. Sinclair a second and final meeting with the Board due a no show.

Continuing Education Committee:

The Board discussed four (4) hours of general continuing education vs. eight (8) hours of continuing education.

Board Meeting Dates:

The Board confirmed the meeting date for July 23, 2004.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and Board voted to hold the Public Meeting at the Archives Building in Atlanta, November 19, 2004. All other meetings will be held at the Macon Board office.

Continuing Education Committee: The committee discussed changes to the Continuing Education Rules. The board voted to make further changes. Ms. Hightower will revise and re-submit to the Board at the July 2004 meeting.

National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) Annual Meeting Report:

Ms. Domyslawski a brief report of issues discussed at the Annual Meeting held in Orlando Florida, April 22-24, 2004, as follows:

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- Limited licenses;
- aligning application process with NBCOT;
- background checks/fingerprinting;
- Continuing Education requirements/continuing competency;
- limiting impairment;
- fraudulent applications;
- impaired providers
- aging population;
- penalties vs. rehabilitation;
- prior approval process;
- requiring re-certification, and
- re-examination.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the board voted to send copies of new public board orders to NBCOT.

Old Business:

Chris Bosonetto-Doane, MS, OTR/L, Advisor, Georgia Occupational Therapy Association (GOTA) CE Committee:

The GOTA Continuing Education Prior Approval Committee (CE Committee) wishes to attain confirmation that the Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy (Licensure Board) will support the recommendation that the GOTA supplies concerning the Continuing Education prior approval process.

Board Response: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to agree, providing all rules and requirements set by the Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy are met.

Applications:

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on Reinstatement Applications:

Heather Marie Vick	Approved for O.T.
Elleonora E. Aviles	Approved for O.T.
Donna Gail Loyd	Approved for O.T.A.
Nancy Higham Ward	Approved for O.T.A.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants for licensure by application:

E.G.L. application for O.T pending further information

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to take the following actions on Certifications of Physical Agent Modalities:

Patricia Sue Smith	Approved for Certification of Physical Agent Modalities
Shelia K. Minder	Approved for Certification of Physical Agent Modalities

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Erin S. Blankenship	Approved for Certification of Physical Agent Modalities
H. M. U.	Approved pending further information
Ana M. Walch	Approved for Certification of Physical Agent Modalities
Dawn LaChandra Jones	Approved for Certification of Physical Agent Modalities

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to approve applications Occupational Therapist licensure by application determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OT003944	Moore, Kimberly Lynne	Occupational Therapist	3/19/2004
OT003945	Middleton, Kristin Michelle	Occupational Therapist	3/19/2004
OT003946	Bohn, Amy Suzanne	Occupational Therapist	3/19/2004
OT003947	Yulo, Christina M.	Occupational Therapist	3/25/2004
OT003948	Neal, Yasmine Monique	Occupational Therapist	3/29/2004
OT003949	Glover, Richard W.	Occupational Therapist	3/29/2004
OT003950	Eldreth, Nathan Lee	Occupational Therapist	4/1/2004
OT003951	Durden-Peterson, Courtney D.	Occupational Therapist	4/8/2004
OT003952	Stoklosa, Steven Joseph	Occupational Therapist	4/8/2004
OT003953	LaGasse, Karolyn Marie	Occupational Therapist	4/15/2004
OT003954	Zambelli, Michael Anthony	Occupational Therapist	4/21/2004
OT003955	Thomas, Windy Michele	Occupational Therapist	4/21/2004
OT003956	Stawarczik, Lindsey Nell	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2004
OT003957	Arispe, Emily Jean	Occupational Therapist	4/29/2004
OT003958	Crossman, Teresa Linda	Occupational Therapist	4/29/2004
OT003959	Kaminja, Hoseah Masabah	Occupational Therapist	4/29/2004
OT003960	Jones, Marsha Tamika	Occupational Therapist	5/3/2004
OT003961	Nelson, Erin Michelle	Occupational Therapist	5/3/2004
OT003962	Pittman, Courtney Anne	Occupational Therapist	5/3/2004
OT003963	Vinson, Paula DeNease	Occupational Therapist	5/3/2004

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve applications for Occupational Therapist Assistant licensure by application determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
License No.	Name	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/19/2004
OTA000819	King, Veronica Aurelia	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/19/2004
OTA000820	Garrett, Paige Lee	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/26/2004
OTA000821	Burris, Betina Leighanne	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/1/2004
OTA000822	Blackshear, Abby Lynn	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/5/2004
OTA000823	Koistinen, Connie Dianne	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/15/2004
OTA000824	Baker, Aletha Marie	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/30/2004
OTA000825	Cowart, El Tegra	Occupational Therapy Assistant	5/3/2004
OTA000826	Alibhai, Shezmin Sherali	Occupational Therapy Assistant	5/10/2004

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to approve the issuance of letters of authority as follows:

Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
Zita Ann Bean	Occupational Therapist	3/25/2004

Ms. Conyers moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve the following restoration:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OT002339	David Lee Farthing	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OT000490	Lora Ann Pharis	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OT002510	Julie Deanne McLean	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OT000486	Jenene K. Craig	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OTA000345	Clinton Charles Wilson	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OT001050	Pamela Ray Evans	Occupational Therapy	3/19/2004
OT002310	Cynthia Lynn Kresse	Occupational Therapy	3/22/2004
OT002170	Ingebeth H. Schaaf	Occupational Therapy	3/29/2004

Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Yvonne LeSane , Board Secretary

Kendyl Brock, O.T., President

Jacqueline Hightower, Executive Director

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director